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The volcano is situated between Yoshiki district, Hida province, and ' inami Azuchi d'strict, Shinano' province. Iwodake, which, was considered to be an extinct volcano, rises 6,775 feet above sea-level. At the base of the mountain are a number of hot springs, while two high volcanic peaks-which it is hoped are extinct-stand near by.

STRAITS STAMPS. There are few better slamp centres than Singapore. In addition to the Straits and F.M.S., close at hand lie such interesting countries from the philatelist's point of view as Sarawak, Siam, Dutch Indies, Labuan and Borneo, I is notwithstanding a mournful fact that the Singapore Sta up Club is dead and gone, and the monthly exchange packets, from which one. sought the overlooked variety and so very sel-"dom found it, no longer make their appearance. Forty years ago the first Straits Settlements stamps were issued, these being a set of nine Indian stamps surcharged with a crown and the value in cents. The value of an unused set of these is over Lip, their face value just under a dollar. A year later in 1863 the Straits issued a set of eight values on their own account, the most interesting being the 9' cent. grey which with 121 perforations is catalogued by Stapley Gibbons at (8-15-0. Then followed a long series of surcharges with small differences over which the specialists may revel, a fat bold ten on a stamp means a paltry six shillings while a thin weak ten rises up to £4. Browning perchanco was thinking of surcharges when he wrote, The little more and how much it is. The little less and what worlds away." In 1883 the watermark was changed from the Crown over C.C. to the Crown over C. 1. The former letters stood for Crown Colonies, while the latter, as the thoughtful will surmise, means Crown Agents. The last issue in Queen Victoria's reign commenced in 1892 and remained in use till the first issue of King Edward in 1902. The first issue of the present King showed no particular beauty design, which indeed was common to very many of the Crown Colonics. A year later however the Straits commenced what was expected to be a new series, which however stopped at the eight cent stamp. The present one cent stamp with its back-ground of palms is emblematical of Singapore and incidentally of the Free Press on which it pays the postage. The three cent stamp with the background of pinane trees of course represents Penang, while the four cents adorned with mipak palm stands for Malacca. In its new shade of crimson, this is perhaps the most artistic of the set. On the eight cent is shown the Kris, which may stand for Malaya as a whole. The four stamps so familiar to all were designed by Sir Walter Egerton and though series, surely there are other artists who might carry on the work. In 1904 the watermarks Noon, a5th Dec., 1907.

perhaps he cannot find time to complete the were again altered, the Crown Agents having C.A. stamped all over the sheets in what, is known as the multiple Crown and C.A. The original single Crown and C.A. King Edward stamps are rising rapidly in value. Having lived a very respectable and quiet philatelic life up till the present year, the Straits caused a bit of a sensation. Apparently amongst the assets in the Labuan Treasury when taken over was a large stock of the 1902 Labuan Issue. First a lot were surcharged for Brunei and soon after the remainder for use in the Straits Settlements. Undoubtedly the greater portion of these were bought by collectors, speculators and dealers; their ultimate value is uncertain. Correspondents of the big stamp firms in sending post-paid replies stuck these on the envelope to get them used in Singapore. If readers can get the Labuan-Straits set of nine for about , to \$.2 they would probably. not lose on them. In all since the first issue, Stamps issued at a hundred and forty. But the shade and type specialists made up many "I fficial" s'amps and no "Postage Due" or indeed any of extras that some countries appear to find remunerative. Although the Straits is not at present one of the most fashionable countries for specialists, there will no doubt come a time when the Transvaul and Orange River Colony stamps brought into such prominence by the special and in some cases very rate war issues, with endless varieties of type, will cease to attract. Stamp collecting | NEW CENTURY & SUNTYPEWRITERS, can never be completed and frequently a cotlector takes a group of countries in which there is some hope of obtaining a representative The Strait collector cannot do better than devote himself to say Straits, Johore, F.M.S.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant will be subject to rent. . . .

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th Jan., 1908, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Gadowns, where they will be examined on the 27th instant., at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Houghong, 4th June, 1997

THE HEAPY DUGDING IN THE SILVER WARKET.

ITS EFFECT ON JAPAN.

The Japun Chronicle of Tall inst. says :-The London silver market, which declined to often have to work and weep at the same time. 261 1. on Monday, the lowest point reached this year, declined by Id. further on Tuesday, heavy and monotonous. It makes them making the lowest secord since 1915. The rate of exchange upon Shanghai on demand rose to 771 taois, a rise of about a tacle in four days, and the market for marine produce (dried Awabi, seawend, &c.) in Kobe has been seciously, affected. As the Chinese merchants have been obliged to suddenly stop their purchases by reason of the depreciation in silver, this branch of business is almost at a Illitebante

In Osaka anxiety has arisen as to the future | rest as much as possible; and, above all, place of cotton yarn, which is so much affected by at her command a bottle of the silver market in China. This has resulted in a decline in the market on the Three Articles Exchange (Cotton Yarn and Fabrics and Raw, Cotton). The low price of cotton yara has affected the price of spinning shares on the Pure Cod Liver Oil, combined with the Com-Stock Exchange, which combined with the decline in other shares, has resulted in considerable depreciation in the value of securities held by the banks, this of course in turn affecting the money market.

China has also been affected, and the year will one bottle is all you may need. It is absolutely close with a large accomulation of stocks. It is reliable, and effective in Blood Impurities, expected that the advance in price of commodi- Nervous Dyspepsia, Wasting Conditions,

livery was quoted at Y115.00, a decline of of Y1 80, and February delivery at Y114.90, a decline of Yr.954

Despite the general decline in the share | Sold by all chemists. market on Tuesday, the old Kanegasuchi shares for February delivery closed unchanged. In reference to the present price of spinning shares, the Osaka Asshi writes that, calculated according to the rate of interest paid on those shares, the quotations of some of them have now declined to the level of the reserve as calculated upon each share, or the paid-up amount of capital, yet there is very little demand. The Amagasaki Spinning Company's shares form the only spinning stock which maintains a quotation above Y100, and are in demand on the basis of the dividend previously paid,

amounting to 50 per cent. It is reported that Woo Chin lon, a wealthy Chinese merchant of Kobe, has been largely buying Kanegaluchi shares in Tokyo as well as in Osaka. Probably this accounts for the maintenance of the market of the shares for February delivery.

> WHIRI.WIND. IN HYOGO. PREFECTO ALG.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT. On the afternoon of the 10th instant the barracks of the 70th, Infantry Regiment at Sasayama, I yogo prefecture, now in course of construction, were struck by a whirlwind with such force that the frames of the building were lifted up about six inches from the ground, and then fell down in a mass of ruins. Five carpenters and thirteen labourers who were working on the frame-work were thrown down and injured, two of them severely.

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it. Taken before meals it improves the nutritive value of ordinary foods by making them While the decline in allver restricts exports | casier to assimilate, and has carried hope and from Japan to China, it encourages the import | good cheer into thousands of darkened homes. from that country. The export of copper to It is effective from the first dose, and probably ties in China due to the rise in silver will Melancholy, Chlorosis, Impaired Nutrition, ultimately affect the export of goods to Japan. | Scrofula, Low Vitality, and all troubles of the On Tuesday the quotations of yarn on the Throat and Lungs. Dr. E. J. Boyes says: " I Osaka Three Articles Exchange for December have found it a preparation of great merit. In TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the delivery closed at Y117-15, a decline of Y1.40 a recent case a patient gained nearly twenty. on the rate on the previous day. January de- pounds in two months' treatment, in which it was the principal remedial agent." It carries the guarantee of reliability and cannot fail or disappoint you. Why accept a substitute?

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A. R. LOWE,

Hongkong, 2 th December, 1907,

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

accordance with the Provisions of Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the EX-CHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-MORROW and THURSDAY, the 25th and 16th instant, respectively." Hongkank, 24th December, 1907. [1109

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

N accordance with Government Notification No. 846 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be Cl OSED for the Transaction of Public Business on WEDNESDAY and THURS-DAY, the 1st and 2nd January, respectively.

ESHLE.

SANITARY BOARD OFFICE. Hongkong.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1907.

BUILDINGS. DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BYE-LAWS (as amended), every Domestic Building or part of such Building within the WESTERN DIVISION of the CITY OF VICTORIA, occupied by members of more than one family must be CLEANSED. and LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the owner during the months of November

TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC

and Lecember. N.B.—The word "Throughout" used in this notice means that the Houses should be Limewashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room and Staircase, all Cubicle Partitions, Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings. and the Undersides of Roofs both in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants! Quarters and

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Secretary. Dated this 2nd day of December, 1907. [1111]

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BIRTH.

wife of WAKEFORD, COX, of a son. DEATHS. On December 16, 1907, at Shangh ii,

WILLIAM HOPPLEY of Manchester, in his 42nd On December 18, 1907, at Shanghai, CHARLES FRED. RICK, MOULY, second son

of Bishop Moule, in his 40th year. On December 19, at Shanghai, CAPITULINA DA SILVA LOPES, the beloved wife of Tobias Maria Lopes, in her 65th year.

The Noughong Welegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER. 24, 1907.

EXTRADITION CASKS.

Few laymen will have the temerity to disof the Supreme Court that their Lordships are, like plain, ordinary humdrum individuals overworked. I verybody is content to believe that he is pulsating at an energy developed after the pattern of the machines whose delayed advent was the subject of one of Sam Weller's laments. From the factoryhand, whose work begins when many-people are just making up their minds to retire for the night, to the latest candidate for honours in the "hopper succlès!" all are obssessed with the idea that they are a living personification of the verb " to liustle," and as no goed object is likely to be derived from any attempt to bring them true enlightenment then we may bleave them to them-Belves. But when the judges of the highest Court in the Colony join in the general cry it is highly essential that their protest should be seriously considered and given that importance which it warrants, Is

the calendar of the Supreme Court swollen; to unusual proportions, or are the petty Summary - Jurisdiction cases growing in numbers? There is no evidence to that effect either one way or the other. after day our representative who is deputed to chronicle the doings of the judges at the -Supreme Court returns with the answer that there are no cases, or none of any interest. And that would appear to be the condition of things prevailing for weeks at a time, the gloomy Courts being left to the shadows and mysteries of dead and gone litigants whose fatal fascination of the red riband has led to their utter abandonment. That aside, there seems to us to be a class of cases which, if it was ever decided to lighten the labour of the Courts generally, should come under a special branch of the criminal code, and be dealt with separately and apart from any reference to the merely vulgar misdemeanour of street-suatching. A most every other day our news columns are bedecked with the reports of extradition cases "proceeding," and some weeks later we read under "Canton Day by Day" that the accused who were charged with being concerned in an armed robbery and had been extradited to Canton from Hongkong, on prima facie evidence being produced, have been beheaded on the execution ground, in presence of a large concourse of people. Extradition cases are notably difficult, for there is the ever-present danger that an innocent gesture may, in the light of later events, cost a man's life in the end. Here in Hongkong there must necessarily always be a floating, which is to say transient, population of 10,000 to 20,000 per day, and many of these,

XMAS DAY

unless faces and physiognomies count for

nothing, are so closely allied to the bestial

that it is difficult to say where the difference

lies. These extradition courts would have

to be presided over by men who were some-

thing more than mere machines and some-

thing less than indulgent parents. If there

are to be any changes in the administration

of justice in Hongkong during the ensuing

year, then the question of changing the re-

gister of cases coming under the Extradition

Act and giving it a position all its own should

certainly appeal to those whose work is con-

nected with the Supreme Court.

To-morrow brings with it Christmas Day in its train once more, and again we stand in amazement at the little that has been done to add distinction to the fastly-fading year notwithstanding the flutterings of dovecots and beatings of the wind that have been recorded. At Christmastide it is usual to hint or to hope that the world has grown a little better than it was, that people have become more humanised, and that the approach of the millenium may almost be divined. But it is really a waste of time to pursue that topic, for the world is probably not much worse to-day than it was in the Never-Never times when Caine came to grief over the question of unlimited speed over the new automobile track. So fa as Hongkong is concerned the fact that money is tight, and that merchants are displaying less and less inclination to extend their credit dealing or accommodate past customers, are factors which have to be borne in mind when the festivities of the season are being considered. Many who are paid on a sterling basis will be chuckling over their good fortune in getting-for some occult reason which they do not stop to consider—something for anothing when On Dicember 19, 1907 at Shanghai, the it-comes to opening the annual bazaar. As usual the public offices will be closed while the other places of public resort will be wide open to all and sundry, who have the necessary fee of introduction. Naturally, while one section of the community will be regretting the fabulous days of their youth when snow and mistletoe were the chief delights of Christmas-unlike the present dend, dull, dog days of blighting fog as recorded by worthy old Reuter-there will also be a very considerable and growing number of residents whose beau-deal of a Christmas holiday will be made up of yachting tours and summer sunshine. At all events, Christmas comes as a welcome break, and if it has arrived at express speed this year then that is due to ourselves. There will be no issue of the Hongkong Telegraph pute the repeated assertions of the judges to-morrow, the next number being that published on Boxing Day.

CHRISTMAS HVF.

Peace and good will-the ancient mandate ringing,

Beat through the darkness of earth's Christmas Eve:

Break down the bars to-night that hold men | Embassy; Mr. Y. Yamara, who has ben Direct strangers,

Bridge now the chasms life digs at our Behind were perils-and before are dangers;

Leave both awhile, before the Christchild's feet.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H M. DESTROYER Junus has returned from the West River and is now in dock. H.M. sloop Clio of the West Piver flotilla returned to port

MR. W. B. Ridgely, U.S. Co piroller of Currency, advises the establishment of a central bank, on the medel of the Bink of France, to control the carren y.

The Vacuum Oil Co.'s calendar for next year is of exquisite design. From Messie, E. D. Sassoon & Co. we have to acknowledge the receipt of a ca'end ir and blotter issued by the Queen Insurance Co.

In the course of in interview Admiral Rozdjetyensky has declared that the cruise of the Unived States fleet silencos the Japanese fingner, for American superiority at sea precludes the possibilities of war.

Chinese Y. M. C. A., Mr. T. M. Elliott wit lecture on the subject-"The value of an Education." . He will illustrate his lecture with about fifty lantern slides.

THURSDAY evening, December 26th, at th

Russia has protested to China against the construction, which has already been begun, of a railway between Tsitsihar and Aigun, view of the fact that a concession for this line had been granted to Russia.

LEUNG SONG, a watchman, employed by the Hangkong Club, was charged at the Police Court, to day, with the farceny of nice spoons, a knife and a fork, valued at \$8, the property of the Club, this morning. He was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour and six hours' stocks.

THE services in St. John's Cathedral Christmas day will be as follows: - Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m.; Mitins and Holy Communion, it a.m. The Preacher will be the Bishop of Victoria. There will also be a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Peak Church at 8 am.

IT is reported from Peking that, in Yeplying to H. E. Hsi Liang. Viceroy of the Yun-Kuci provinces, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has stated that the question of the redemption of the Yunnan railway is now being discussed between H. E. Liu Shih-haus, Chinese Minister in Paris, and the French Foreign Office, but that no positive settlement has been arrived at yet,

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIANS had a very warm reception last night when they repeated The Belle of New York, at the Theatre Royal .. There was a large attendance-even better than the opening night -and from the rise to the fall of the curtain the piece was a thorough success. To-night the play will be staged again for the last time. Cn. Saturday there will be a grand matique.

MR. Cortelyou, Secretary of the Treasury, has made a statement to the effect that he is not a caudidate for the I residency. This announcement helps to clear the political atmosphere, when taken in conjunction with President Roosevelt's declaration. The Issue for the post Taft and Governor Hughes, Public favour inclines to the latter.

WHEN H.E. Wu Ting-lang, Minister-designate to the United States, -pain and Peru, was received in farewell audience by the Throne, he was commanded to present the thanks of their Imperial Majesties to President Roosevelt for he lives forever. A thousand years from now, returning to China the balance of the Boxer Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years indemnity. His Excellency was expected to from now, he will continue to ma' e glad the leave Peking for Shanghai on 20th inst.

THE District Magistrate of Chenchon has now received his seal of office and the Taotai has returned to Fenghuang. The new prefect is expected daily. At the beginning of the month acute discord between the local gentry and the magistrate led to the removal from office of the latter. His seals were entrusted to the prefect. who died shortly afterwards, and the town was in the anomal jus position of having no official.

On Christmas and Boxing Days, commencing at 2 p.m. and 11 a.m., respe tively, the Hongkong Cricket Club will play against a combined League XI. The following will represent the Cub :- R. Hancock, H. Hancock, W. C Turner, T E Pearce, Major H. E. Lowis, 119th Infintry, Capt. R. E. E. Kriekenbeck, 110th Infantry, H. R., Makin, A. A. Claxton, A. W. J. Peake, E. A. Fowler and Wm Dixon.

THE Waiwupu has received a telegram from H. E. Sheng Pauan-huai from Hanlow, who reports that he may be expected in Peking during the course of next week to discuss the Chekinng railway loan with Sir J. Jordan and Mr. O. P. Bland in conjunction with H. E. Wang Ta-haich. The Chinese Government wishes the natives to deposit \$15,000,000 at the National Bank of China (Hupuyinghong) in Peking and Shan, hal, as a proof that, they are capable of building the railway without outside assistance.

JAPANESE papers say that, in consequence of the forthchcoming transfer of Mr. Takahira from Rome to Washington, Baron Chinda.

who won a reputation as Consul-General at Tientin and is now Councillor of the London or of the Political Bureau for eight years past. will go to London as Mr. Injuin's successor under Count Komura, Mr. T. Kurschi, to The Hague Conference, will be made Resident Minister in Chile. As Mr. Inouve, now at home, is to resign. Mr. Tsudzuki will probably second him as / mussador at Berlin,-TM Kobe Herald

IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS!

At this time of the year when the little ones have become excited over their anxiety to know how their conduct during the last twelve months will be rewarded to-morrow morning by Father Christmas, the question will arise among those of a sceptical ago -cspecially the paughty ones -as to whether there is such t person in the world as Santa Claus. And it is with this purpose n view that we publish prominently on this day the reply given by a contemporary to the letter of an eight-year-old girl, by name Virginia, who asked the question: "Is there a Santa Claus?" She asked to be told the truth, "as some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus," The answer to her query, which we entirely endorse, and which every little one in the Colony will read with interest was as cal age. They do not believe a cept they see. They think that nothing can be which is no comprehensible by their little minds. Al minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intelabout him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth an knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Caus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity. and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alasi how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extin, uished.

Not believe in Santa Chus! You might as well not believe in fairies? You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they d d not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Sinta Claus, The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairles dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unsecable in the world.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of of Republican candidate is now between Mr. all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, of 160 x 30 feet will be sufficient in the first in romance, can push aside that curtain and view and p'cture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ab, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

> "No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and heart of childhood.".

We wish all our young friends a "MERRY XMAS."

AT the request of Travelling Commissioner Yang Shih-ch'i, the Waiwupu has asked H.E. Liu Shih-haun, Chinese M nister in Paris, to negotiate with the French Government concerning the appointment of a Chinese consul to Saigon, " for the protection of the interests of Chinese merchants there."

IT is reported from Peking that the amount damage done to Chinese subjects during the recent Vancouver riots is £25,700 and that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has instructed Lord Li Ching-fang, Chinese Minis er in London, to approach the British Government on the subject and to demand the punishment of the ricters.

THE Japan Mail remarks that a decision delivered by a French Court on the subject of the 5946/07 cilling upon me to provide latring infringement of trade-marks has establi hed accommodation in the above building for the the following points, which are well worthy of Chinese employees, I beg to request that the indication of a false mark of erigin need not be of the conveniences to stand in abeyance until words or language used. (3) The use of fancy application are :names of English appearance by themselves is |faith is no defence.

under an undertaking made and given by the Post," for the same purpose,-I am etc. defendant to the plaintiff on the 16th Septembor. Or in the alternative for the sum of \$625 The Secretary, being money had and received by the defendant for the use of plaintiff in request of sales of property of the San Ki firm Mr. M. W. Slade. instructed by Mr. P. X. d'Almada a Castro, | ing Public Health and Buildings Ordinance appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. R. J. Grist, and the bys-laws in respect of the removal of of Mesers, Wilkinson and Grist, was for the infected persons, disinfection of infected predefendant. Mr. Justice Wise found for the mises, etc., a langthy minute by Mr. Lan Chu delendent with costs

SAD ACCIDENT ON H. M. "KING ALFRED."

DEATH OF A. B SAUNDERS.

All the men-of-war in port to-day were flying their flags at half-mast. An inquiry elicited the fact that the flags were half-masted out of respect for the death of a young able-seaman named Saunders, who came by his death as the result of an accident last night. A. B. Saunders was only twenty years of ago and his untimely demise at this festive season has cast a gloom over the whole of the ship's company. With a friend Saunders proceeded on deck for some fresh air last night. Af er pacing the deck for while he elected to sit down and chose the edge of one of the forem at hatches. While thus seated he accidentally over-balanced himself and was precipitated into the hatch below -a drop of some thirty to forty feet. When he was picked up Saunders was found to be dead, having been instantaneously killed by the fall. No sooner was the accident known fol ows :- Virginia, your little friends are to the ship's officers than Fleet- urgeon Chamwrong. They have been affected by the scepti- bers, assisted by another surgeon, was immediately, in attendance; but their ser vices could be of no avail as life was extinct when the bidy of Siunders was brought up, the medical men being of opinion that deceased died of concussion of the brain due to the violence of the fall. At alne o'clock this morning the body was tem ved to the Naval Morlect, as compared with the boundless world tuary at Wanchai whence the burial took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Deceased given a burial with full Naval honours. The coffin resting on a gun carriage covered by the Union Jack, was drawn to the Cemetery at Happy Valley by comrades of the deceased. Every warship in the harbour was represented by a detachment of seamen, marines and officers. Numerous beautiful wreaths surmounted the coffin and

the Band from the fligship (H. M. S. King Affred) led the mournful procession from the Monument to the grave. The funeral ceremony was performed by: Naval Chaplain Lovett of the King Alfred, a firing party being provided by the ship to which the deceased belong d. Young Saunders, was due to be paid off nex

month at the end of his commission when he was to proceed home where his father and mother besides three sisters (he being the only ron) survive to mourn his loss:

SANIZARY BUARD.

· FORTNIGHTLY MEETING. Too usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held in the Board-room this after noon, when the following business was trans

VEGETABLE MARKET FOR VAU-MA-TI.

The reply from the Government to a petition from Yau-ma-ti vegetable merchants in which they asked for a site to erect a vegetable market thereon, was laid on the table. It was

Colonial Secretary's Office, and December.

Sir,-Referring to your letter No. 2464 of the 24th September last; I am directed to state that it is proposed to proceed forthwith with the preparation of the site for the vegetable market at Yau-ma-ti.

The Registrar-General considers that an area stance and this area will accordingly be con creted and drained and a water supply will be provided as suggested by the Board.

The area will be increased to 160 x 60 feet when it is considered necessary and when funds permit, and it is proposed eventually to roof over the whole site. - I am, etc.; (Sd.), F. H. MAY,

Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary, Sanitary Board. LATRINE ACCOMMODATION.

Correspondence, relative to latrine accommodation at No. 14, Des Vœuz Road Central, premises occupied by Jay's, Ltd., was considered. The correspondence is appended :-Sanitary Board,

22nd October, 1907. Sir,-It appears on inspection that the above building is not provided with proper latrine accommodation for the Chinese employees.

I am directed by the Board to request you to be good enough to supply proper latrice ac commods, ion in accordance with Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance 1903 .- I have, etc.,

(Sd.), G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary.

Ho Tung, Esq. Compradore Office,

Jardine, Matheson & C 29th November. Sir,-With reference to your letter N

The request has been granted by H.E. the consideration by Japanese Judges-(1). The Board might be pleased to allow the provision expressed, it may be by inference from the the premises are fully let. The reasons for my

not reprehensible. (3) The party complaining portion of the first fluor are vacant. When the of this practice need not show actual damage entire premises are let, I shall be in a better it is sufficient if he shows possible damage. (4) position to ascertain the availability and extent When possible damage is demonstrated the of the space that may be required, and also practice becomes unlawful per se and good what position will best suit the convenience of all the tenants.

In addition to two privies on the first floor In Summary Jurisdiction, at the Supreme for use be the European and Chinese occu-Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, will succeed Court, this morning, Tseung Ut, alias Tseung pants, there exist al present two privies; one Baron Takahira in Rome; Baron. Hayashi .Ut Wo, a tender, of Sc, Lime Kiln Street, Sam- on the first floor, maintained by the tenants-Across the night floats out its message, wing- Minister in Peking, will be made Vice-Minister shul-pr, brought action against 1 asung Fong the St. George's Club-for use by their Chinese of Foreign Affairs, while he will be succeeded | Chau, a Kowloon trader, 77, Lime Kiln Street, to | employees, and one on the ground floor main-Way through the barriers human efforts at the Chinese capital by Mr. H. IJuin recover the sum of \$625 due from the defendant tained by the tenants—the "S.C. Morning

(Sd.), Ho Tung.

Sanitary Board.

PUBLIC HEALTH, With regard to the amendment of the exist The dealing on the subject was discussed

Telegrams.

Keuter ..

The Reported British Pacific Bquadron.

London, 22nd December. The Admira ty contradicts, in the most emphatic manner, the statement of the Standard concerning the establishment of a new Pacific Squadron in the North Pacific.

De Beers Mines.

A sensation has been caused by the Do Beers mines not paying a deferred dividend, owing to the large falling off of the demand for diamonds on account of the American

Mr. Haldane, speaking in Edinburgh, said that the Special Reserve, replacing the Militia, would be complete in August, when, six divisions fully equipped for a long campaign would be ready. Austria-Hungary.

The Iritish Army.

The Budapesth Parliament has finally passed an Ausgleich, and the Premier has announced that an exchange of notes with the Austrian Premier in regard to the resolution of the roth instant has resulted in satisfactory guarantees. ..

AN ULD SMOGGLER-CANDID CONFESSION AT THE SUPREME

During the hearing of a case in the Summary Jurisdiction Court, this morning, a little amusement was caused by the plaintiff in the action. being made to confess that at one time or another he took part in smuggling contraband into Chinese territory.

Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, who appeared for the defence, began very nicely by asking the plain iff the name of his native, place.

" San-wui," was the reply. Mr. Grist-But in what village? Plaintiff-Mok Pin'

D you go home often? Once a year. You don't s'ay there long, do you?-No only a few days.

During your last visit to the country you had trouble with the Chinese Coverament?-What trouble?

In connection with salt smuggling?-After a pause witness replied: "I have nothing to conceal. I must confess that I took part in smuggling salt and opium some thirty years. ago. Nothing at all to conceal. (Laughter).

> CANTON DAY BY DAY. THE WEST RIVER

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 23rd December. Yesterday, the Inspector General of the Navy. H. E. Li Chun, on board the Chinese gunboat Lung Shang, left here for the West River, to supervise the arrangements for the projer,

patrol of the internal waterways. VICEREGAL INSPECTION ABANDONED. H. E. the Vicercy has abandoned his contemplated visit to Intong to witness the military parade and the gun-testing practice, on

account of the non-arrival of the recently ordered Krupp guns. PIRATE JUNK CAPTURED. Commander Au Ki-wan of the Chinese gunboat Kwang Po arrived here yesterday from Kaolan with a captured pirates' junk and a

SAMPAN CAPSIZED. This morning a sampan was capsized in the harbour by the wash from one of the Hong. kong steamers and two men were rescued from the water. No lives were reported to

have been lost, CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY. . H.E. the Viceroy has instructed the Canton Likin Bureau to rass all goods and materials for the Canton-Kowloon R ilway Department (Chinese section) free cf dues as fer arrangement between the Walwupu and that Depart-

DOCK CHARGES. The Canton Likin Bureau and the Shan Hon Chu have petitioned the Viceroy stating that the charges for repairs of government launches, eic, at the Whampon Greenment Neval Docks are somewhat high and reques'ed authority to have them in future repaired in private slips.

A NEW ASSOCIATION. Yesterday a meeting was held in a school, in

Ya Mow Street, inside the city, by students and others for the purpose of making arrange. At present the whole top floor and the greater | ments for the formation of an association under the style of the Self-Government Association of the Nine Prefects and Seven Suh prefectures of Kwangiung, Some students who have returned from Japan delivered speeches before the assembly. The text of the speeches was to the effect that on account of the dangerous state of affairs at present in China partition of the territory of the Empire is generally frared, as witness the British interference of the internal administration of the province of Kwank. tung, the French demand for railway concessions in the southern part of the province, and the Portugueso encroachment on bireso territory in the district of Heungshan, So it was quite time for the Chinese people to be spited in strength to bring about self-zovarament and to protest against foreign interfaceged in all Chinese matters. The speeches were recrived with applaute, and it was ultimately decided to make further arrangements at a meeling in be be'd next Sunday, when officials of 11 8:4559 ciation will be appointed and regulations

drawn up and presented to the Victory, lot his

approval

-Pull Mall Gasille.

CHRISTMAS BOXES.

TRADERS' VIGOROUS OPPOSITION.

The passing into law of the Preventions of Corruption Act has been followed by a determined effort on the part of large sections of the traders in London and in the provinces to stamp out the practice of giving Chrisimas boxes as one degrading to all the parties concerned, and having a pernicious effect upon the relations between employer and employed. In one important trade, the persistent efforts of a strong committee have resulted in practical unanimity, and for the first time this year courteous but firm refusals will be given to all appears to have been made without either such applications.

Christmas boxes come under several categories :-

1. Christmas boxes given to customers. 2. Chris'mas boxes given to employees of

3. Contributions to beanfeasts (") where the customer supports employee's appeal. (6) Where the appeal is not recognised.

4. Gifts from travellers to employees to secure orders and to prevent complaints. 5. Gifts from travellers out of their own

pockets.

A SPECIMEN LETTER. In thousands of instances the terms "boxes" and "gifts" are altogether inapplicable to the demands made and unwillingly complied with. A representative of the Pall Mall Garette who pursued it quiries into the question was shown letters sent to firms of high repute couched in the most peremptory' language, while others displayed the most barefaced. offrontery. One epistle was as follows:-

· Among the few presents I received last year were two which did not state where they were from. As we do a fair, business with you, one might possibly have been from you. Anyhow, you will permit me to wish you the compli-

ments of the senson. "This," said the headeof, a well-known firm carrying on no extensive business in London and the country, his a specific of what traders have to submit to, tijems who permit their employees to accept Chrismas boxes ought to realise that it is they, and not the giver of the Christmas, box, who suffer. Firms, who give Christmas boxes, of course, place the amount against the business, with the result that the customer has to pay more for the goods purchased than he would otherwise have to. Such gifts, too, are most unfail to the employee, for the simple reason when an emplayer observes that the business done with one particular firm increases more rapidly than he can account for he suspects the existence of some secret arrangement, and acts accord-

THE WHOLE SYSTEM PERNICIOUS.

There is a general consensus of opinion that the whole system is pernic ous and degrading. -Large firms have year after year been confronted by increasing demands; while smaller ones have been seriously crippled. The evil has been mitigated to a very considerable extent by the passing of the new Act, but there are still a large number of employers who permit their employees ito accept : Christmas . boxes, and customers who seek them from the firms the trade with.

In the paper trade especially vigorous action has been taken, and some time aga an appeal was made to employers to prohibit their employees accepting Christman boxes in order that they might not feel aggri, ved at the firms who had decided to refuse all applications. .

"Christmas time is a curse t small traders," was a fe nork monde by the member of one firm. "Applications are made that ought not to be, made, and yet there . . ay be . just sufficient justification-if such a thing can be-for them as to make the trader timorous about fusing because of the risk of losing business. Then again, men are led to sacrifice their selfrespect and place themselves under obligations which are detrimental to their reputations in of those crimes proving less completely defunct every way."

ON WHOM THE ONUS RESTS. "For the sake of the purity of the relations bitween master and servant and between buyer and seller, the whole thing ought to be swept away. Now, the onus tests on the employer and refler who give to the servant and buyer. They could easily step if, and it would be stopped if they would only realise the fact that it would be to their mutual advantage to get'rid of so corrupting a system."

IT is stated that the Canadian Pacific Railroad Company will be compelled to pay the Dominion Government S5,000 because the Empress of Chine was two days behind time in arriving at Hongkong. The contract of the company with the Government puts a fine of Licco for every day over the time specified in the agreement. The Empress of China sank at her dock in Vancouver before sailing on her last trip and was delayed later at Victoria by her dynamos brénking down. 💀

SHIFPING AND MAIL

WAILS DUE. Australian (Talyuan) 27th inst. English (Arcadia) 27th inst., 000n. Indian (Laisang) 29th inst. German (Zielen) 3rd prox., a.m. Australian (Chingin) 3rd prox.

The s.s. Chingin left Po t Darwin up 23rd inst, and is due here on and prox.

The Java-China-Japan Lijn s.s. 7 jift mes left Macassar for this part on 12nd ins. and may be expected here on or at out the 30th inst.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. Yorck lef Kobe wie Nagasaki and hanghai on 23rd irist. at a p.m , and may be expected here on or about 3tst inst.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. Zielen carrying the German Mails, with dates from Berlin to the ard ult., left Co'ombo yesterday p.m., and may be expected here on 100 prox., a.m.

The C. P. R. Co. & s.s. Empress of China arrived at Nagasaklat 5 p.m., on 23 d lost, and left again at it pm., early day, for Kalle, where ene is que to willed at it bim' ob stip fast

WEI-HAI-WEI.

CINDERRLLA OF EMPIRE.

There is a certain pathos in the sale of the

Wei-hai-wei Gold Mining Company's plant, put

up for auction in Shanghai yesterday (7th inst.) afternoon, which, perhaps, may be thought to extend to more than the ill-fortunes in one particular speculation, Into the details of this now closed chapter in Wei-his wei's history it is unnecessary to enter; they are sufficiently known throughout the China coast. No doubt. exists of the presence of gold in the foot-hills of Wei-hai-wei. But the attempt to realize adequate survey or calculation of cost; so much so, indeed, that according to one story not devoid of expert authority, the stamps were actually set down over the seam itself which thus was rendered entirely useless. But the regard for wider considerations of commerce and naval policy, the territory may be said, like: the latest popular magazine but with more justification, to supply a long felt want. But until the shadow of present uncertainty as to the Imperial Government's intentions is tomoved, even that unambitious sphere is hardly available for it. So far back in the history of Great Britain's

occupation of Wei-hai-wei as April, 1898, which was three months before the Convention with the Chinese Government was actually signed, the then Mr. Curzon, speaking in the House of Commons, warmly repudiated bir Charles Dilke's suggestion that the Government had acquired the territory in hade and with no very determined policy. Subsequent events have substantiated rather the charge than its repudiation; and although Mr. Runciman, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, declared categorically in February, 1920, that the transfer of Port Arthur from Russia to Japan makés no difference to the British occupation of Wei-hai-wei; no action is at present contemplated by His Majesty's Government," the present state of the territory, with its incomplete and vacant fortifications, its new naval hospital existing only in site, is abundant evidence of the vacillating character of the princip'es which have made show of directing its destinies. It is to be supposed that in a multitude of counsels the precise utility of Wei-haiwei has become obscured, and the unwillingness of successive Governments to spend money upon new enterprises has found excuse for inaction in the conflict of expert opinions as to whether Wei-hai-wei should be converted into a n othern Hongkong, or be utilized merely as a flying naval base and depo: fr the China squadron. Since the dithinding of the Chinese Regiment a new suggestion has been put forward to the effect that the British troops now stationed at Tientsin be withdrawn to Wei-haiwei where barracks stand empty awaiting them. Such a step, it is urged, would gain the unstinted gratitude of the Chinese to whom the presence of foreign troops at Tientsin cannot but be an obnoxious reminder of crimes which they might hope by now to have buried in decent ob ivion. At the same time the tronps at Wei-bai-wei would be at least as nea' to l'cking as would be necessary in the event than they are alleged to be. The suggestion has at least this abvious merit that it would provide the Government of Great Britain with a basis on which to arrange a revised lease the island of Liukung and the Wei-hai-wei territory; when the unfortunate mistake whereby the present occupation is made to depend upon the possession of Port Arthur by a particular Power could be rectified in the sense which the

In one respect, at least the question of Weihai-wei appears to admit of no dispute; for it is clear that any alteration which has taken place in the balance of power in Far Eastern waters. during the last ten years is one of degree only, and not of quality; and if the occupation of Weihniwei was a necessity to t re t'Britain so recently as in February, 19:6 it is certainly no: less so to-day. That the naval activities which once were contemplated, if not systematically mapped out for the territory, have, been altogether abandoned is apparently beyond doubt. But between that high destiny and the present policy of grudging inaction beneath which Wel-hai-wei visibly languishes there is the middle line of commercial development, for which there is rouson to believe that the necessary enterprise would not be lacking if once the Government could be brought to declare its intentions. It would be as absurd as inaccurate to suggest that Wei-hai-wei has no other aptitude than as a place of cillegiature for British subjects in the Far East nor could the Government be expected to expr as itself very decidedly, if this were the sole aim in view. Already, and in spite of the poverty of encouragement, much. has been done in opening up the territory with new roads and bridger, in draining and in reconstruction of formerly insanitary dwellings. There is little doubt that the existing trade in agricultural produce and ground autamight be au mented by the culture of silkworms and by: scientific fruit and dairy farming, while the example of the winegrowers at Chelon might surely be imitated in the sheltered walleys which surround Mt. Goschen and Mt. Lans

Convention already bears morally if not

technically.

ment of Wei-hal-wei is further hampered by the purely gratuitous pledge given to Garmany in 1898 that, he railway should be built on the territory; and this consideration supplies another argument for a revision of the leate, in orderthat Wei hai weimay obtain her legitimate share in the internal trade of Shantung to which the natural advantages of her fine harbour entitle her. Even without so great.a. concession 'as this, but with a little more certainty of her own future, the Cinderella of the Empire might be trusted to discover her own fairy prince.

> FUNERAL OF MR. C. J. W. PROUNDES.

The funeral of Mr. Charles James William Pfoundes took place at the old Cemetery at One at noon yesterday, says the Jopan fate of the Wei-hai-weigold mines is chiefly | Chronicle of 12th inst. In his will the deceased interesting as an illustration of the fate which expressed the desire that his remains the kept seems at present to overshadow the whole ter- until the usual evidences are undoubted that ritory; and as the real potentialities of Wei- life has ceased, as the change exhibited in all

hai-wei are in no manner bound up with the ani als; and that then cremation be employed; potentialities of its guld, it is sincerely to be later, if in Kohr, that application be made to hoped that that fate may be averted while inter the cremated ashes in the old Cemetery there is yet time. During the past summer at Ono,", The deceased also indicated the spot, a new, bid was made for the claims of preferred by him for his grave and expressed Wei-hai-wei as a health a resort by the the desire that a monol this be erected with on conversion of the officers' quarters o' inscription in Romaji and Sinico-Japanese. The the extinct Chilese Regiment into an addition- | carrying out of the wishes of the deceased al hotel : and those who enjoyed the inspiriting 'necessarily delayed the funeral. The remains air and sparkling blue seas of Wei-hai-wei, who were duly created at Kasugano, the ashes climbed its russet hills or explored its fruitful being taken to the International Hospital, from valleys, will bear witness to the justice of those | which place the cortege proceeded to the Ono claims. Only as a health resort, and without Cemetery. The urn was placed in a coffic and conveyed to the cemetery in a glass-panelledhearse. At the cometery the service was conducted under Buddhis' rices by three priests from the Gonnakuji Temple, to which the deceased belonged. A large number of floral tributes were sent, principally from Japanese. A beautiful wreath was sent by the Licensed Pilots' Association, the funeral having been left in the hands of Mr. W. A. Loxton, Secretary of is Tis. 45,307.82. that Association. Among the foreigners present at the functal were Mr. Yap Hok-Ling. Compradore of the Yokohama Specie Bank, Mr. G. Abily, Captain Danbas, Captain Anderson, Mr. M. Wignali, Mr. W. Martin, Mr. J. L. Thompson, and Mr. Loxton, besides a number

A GOLDEN DREAM.

And as I lay, I mused over the long suffering and patience of the owners of this place whe there appeared before me an angel holding in front a book which he opened and I there beheld having printed on it, letters of gold, which read thus;

ACT NO. 1 OF 1903. An Act for the Protection of Householders." 1st January, 1908

John Anderson, .Governor and Commander-in-chief.

It is hereby enacted by the Governor of the Straits Settlements with the advice and consent of the Legislative Chuncil thereof as follows :

r. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Protection of Householders' Ordinance 1908," and shall repeal such portions of the Labourers' Ordinance 1282 to 1 ras t'e same is applicable to Domeslic Servants.

'2. All persons engaged to perform menial work in and around any dwelling house shall be deemed to b. Dimestic Servants under this Ordina ce and shall include coachment chaffeurs, grooms, gardeners, as well as house servants male and female.

3. Any en agement entered into after the passing of this act shall be for one month, unless otherwise expressly stated, and two weeks' notice on either hand shall cause such engagen ent to terminate at the expiry thereof.

4. All wages shall be paid within seven days after the last day of the monthly period on which they become due, except at the termination of an engagement after such notice aforesaid when they shall become due therest.

5. No person shall board or lodge any Chinese Domestic Servant for a longer-period than one month without the permission of the Chief Police Officer, and a book shall be kept by such person in which shall be written the name of such boarder or lodger and the name and add ess of the person last employing him.

6 Any Chinese Domestic Servant who shall have been out of employment for a longer period than one month shall be deemed a suspected person and be liable to be charged as such unless he shall satisfy the court that he has visible means of subsistence and that within the twelve months preceding he has been in emplo ment-under ine employer for a longer period than six months he shall for the first offence be liable to fibe and to fine and or imprisonment for the second offence, and for any such offence thereafter he may be banished for lack of support. from the Colony under the provisions of Ordinance IV of 1888 his presence being inconsistent with the public safety and welfare.

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8. Any breach of the above sections 3, 4 5, 6, or 7, shall be met with a fine not exceeding \$25 for the first offence and \$50 or not more than 3 months' imprisonment for any subsequent offence, and in addition thereto or substitution therefor any third or subsequent breach of sec. 6 shall carry with It the liability to deportation as aforesaid:

A vo ce awoke me from my reverie saying, "Tuan' akarang sahya mahu pergi China." -Singupore Free Prese,

A KUMBER of merchants of Shantung province has sent notice to the Peking Government to the effect that H.E. Wu Ting plog, Acting Governor of that province, is an incapable official who does not know how to discharge hisduijer, except "to fl siter foreigners especial. ly the Germans," In conclusion the petitioners: request the Government to remove him witho t delay and to appoint an "enlightened" downe. At the present time the advance official in his stead

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SHANGHAI COTTON MILLS CO. QUESTION OF ACCOUNTS.

"Tim Robb'n" writes under date 15th inst. to the N. C. D. News: - In reading over the bal mee sheets of the Ewo Cotton and International Cotton Mills I felt very comfortable to believe that each mill had made what appeared to me a profit. The International one of Tis. 55,581.22 and the Ewo one of Tis. 46,307.82 I was rejoicing over this to a friend, who soon showed me where I was wrong.

If you notice the Directors of the International Cotton Mill say the year's working resulted in a net profit of Tis. 55,581.12 The Directors of the Ewo do not put it in this way, but say the balance at credit of profit and loss question whether that charter will be revived.

one and the same thing, for I am not skilled in 'nineteen vessels will in all probability soon be accounts and do not know much about the tied up in San Francisco harbour, as are those arranging of figures.

year Tis. 64,985.25 and this year this figure is money as we are now treated. reduced to Tis. 46,307.82, showing that they "It's all tommy rot to talk about sentiing at profit and loss account of Tls. 46,307.82 moonshine and splendour. and then I could have understood what they Pardon me if I speak forcefully. It is bard really had done.

JAFANESK SHIPPING. THE QUESTION OF COMPETITION.

The complaint made by Sr Thomas Sutherand Oriental Company will undoutedly attract Jahan, but, though we can quite understand the same time be borne in mind that all is fair love and war, -and trade, especially from Japanese point of view. 'As a matter of fact, it is the people of this country who are the greatest sufferers, as they are taxed to pay subsidies in support of Japanese steamers, when the over-sea carrying trade of the country could with at least as great advantage be done in vessels that do not carry the Japanese flag. is curious to note that Sir Thomas is not alone in his complaint, for on November 23rd Mr. P. Schwerin, president of the Pacific Ma Steamship Line, made a very bitter speech or

the shipping business of the Pacific. Mr. Schwerin was a guest at the dinner a Architects and Marine Engineers. He said that he had requested that his name be omitted from the list of speakers, but as this had not been done he felt it incumbent upon him fell the truth about what he termed "the most deplorable state of affairs in American shipping." His subject was, "What the United States Is Doing for Its Merchant Marine or

the Pacific Coast." He referred to the liberal subsidies which are granted on the Pacific to British, German, and Japanese vessels, and stated that two magnificent versels were to be added to one Japanese line, which has already increased its fleet by three additional ships in comparatively

recent times. "But a subsidy blane will, not make a line a success," he said. "Let the United States Government pass a Bill like the Chinese prohibitive immigration enactment, let there companies suffer the loss of their emigrant traffic, and you would see their vessels tied up

"What has the United States Government done for us? Within a short period we were fined \$421, 00 for infractions of the many regulations with which we have recently been hedged about. Of this amount we paid some \$160,000, having managed to secure a reduction of the original amount?

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transportations. That is the p'ath, hard fact, That is the way the United States treats its

"I can tell you now that our charter lapses on April 15th next, and it is a very serious We are going backward. There is nothing for To a plain working man like myself this is us to maintain in present conditions. About already of the Australian service, because of It appears that the Ewo carried forward last, the fact that they cannot be made to earn

have worked all year and made a loss of Tls. mentality over the American merchant marine 18,678,33. It would have been far better if the from a sentimental standpoint. The man who Directors had just said that the mill had made can do us good is not the man who is going to a lass of The 18,678.33 instead of a credit stand- deliver us with the big stick and atmosphere of

after fifteen years of hard work, effective work; to be un the verge of losing one's job, and that for something over which one has no supervision. The idea that Bill or. Harriman or Huntington should build ships and maintain them if the project will not pay them is all land at the annual meeting of the Peninsular nonsense. If a man cannot make money investing it in steamships he certainly will not wide attention in Japan. Sir Thomas spoke of put out his money that way. Because Hill "unfair competition" between Bombay and and Huntington and Harriman invested several millions of dollars each in ships they were attitude of the P. & O. chairman, it must at the looked upon as thrugh they had committed a crime, and when the Bill was framed to provide help in the shape of systematic payments for carrying the mails, it was provided that no vessel now affont should receive such assist. ince. Why not? That's what we have a right

Without attempting to prove or disprove the accuracy of Mr. Schwerin's assertions, we think it a very significant fact that United States shipping has declined under a Protectionist policy, and as Japan, in order to be quite upto-date, is evidently intent upon becoming Protectionist as well as militarist, some figures recently published by the British Board of Trade, showing the progress of merchant shipthe Walderf, New York, of the Society of Naval ping in the United Kingdom and principal maritime countries, are of much interest. One of the most remarkable of the tables shows in cold figures what has happened to United States' shipping under Protect on. At British ports in 1854 there entered and cleared to and from the States 780,142 tons of shipping under the British flag and 1,908,004 under the Stars and Stripes. Last year the figures were-British, 12,705,838 tons; American, 944,543

In tonnage built the figures' are equally instructive. In 1870 Great Britain built 378,5 1 tons, and of that total sold 33,805 to foreigners. In 1506, 956, 71 tons were built, and 234,589 tons sold. The States built 2 69.3 tons in 1,870, and sold 17,078. In 1996, 418 745 were built, and 21,734 sold. In fact, since 1830, the registered tonuage for the States merchant navy has increased less than 40,000 tons. The British has increased eight millions in that time. The following percentages show in a pictures-

que way the predominance of the Free-trade flag on all the seas. Of the tonnage in and out of German ports, 27.1 per cent. is British Germany's percentage of her own posts is 4.87. All other countries is 24.3, The British figures for other countries are as formwas Russia, 38 per cent. ; Norway, 12, Denmark, 7; Holland, 34; Belgium, 48; France, 35 (France's own percentage is 27); Portugal, 50; Spain, 26 Italy, 29; U.S.A., 52 (U.S.A.'s own percentage 14.6); Chili, 47; Argentine, 34; Japan, 30 (Japan's own percentage is 38,5).

Korean Empira" the Kotumin Shimbun; on the 19th inst., lays stress upon the most cordial lower their rates we are obliged; under heavy nature possible of the reception accorded to the penalty, to give notice of our intention to Korean Crown Prince by the Emperor of Japan change ours in thirty days. Then just three on Wednesday, on the heartiness of the toasts. days before the month expires our cut is met exchanged and on the Emperor's readiness to by a lower one. Then our books are always return the visit on friday. These incidents. subject to inspection. We have about two continues the semi-official organ, show that expert accountants and half a dozen aleuths the kinship between Japan and Korea is of the going over them all time to find evidence of most intimate character. Meanwhile the dignity of the Korean dynasty is permanently " The foreign lines with their books far away respected under Japan's protecting wing. The from here, not subject to the same regula- absence of distinction between the two countries tions, dotas they please with regard to these resembles the position of Austria-Hungary. A things, and the result is that we have suffered form of dual monarchy and the present relaa loss of from \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,000, while tions between Koren and Japan constitute the

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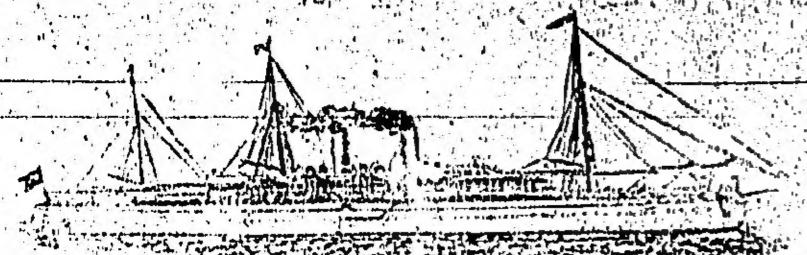
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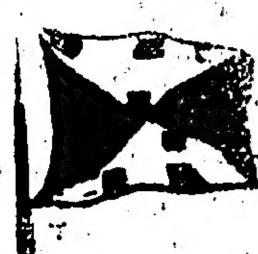
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Cabbage Root-Kai Lan Tausach Cabbage, (Shanghai)-Yeh Choi Cane Shoots, bunch-Kau Shun 3 Cauliflower, Large size-Tai Yeh Choi Faeach Cauliflower, Medium size-Cheung Yeh

Cauliflower, Small size-Sal Yeh Choi-fa Carrots-Kam Shun Celery, Chinese-Tong Kan Choy Celery, English-Yeung Kan Choi Celery, White-Pak Young Kan Choi...

Chillies, Dried-Con Lat Chiu Red-Hung Fa " Green-Cheng Lat Chiu Curry Stuff, English-Ka Lee Choi Liu Cucumbers-Cheng Kwa Ritter Squash-Fu Kwa Garlic-Suen Tau..... Ginger, young-Sun Tar Keung

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Musk Melon Mushrooms, Fresh-Sang Cho Kho Onions, Bombay-Young Chung Tau Green-Sang Chung, Shai-Sheung Hoi Chung Tau Japan-Yat Poon

Okroes-Mo Ker Parsley, English-Young Un Sai B. 60 Gradus Pea Green Peas-Cheng Tau Potatoes, Sweet-Pan Shu

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Macao-Oh Moon Pumpkin-Toong Kwa Radish-Hung Lo Pak Test Shalots-Con Chung Tau Spinage (Chinese)-Paw Choi Spinach—Vin Chol Tomatoes—Fan Ker... Taros-Wu Tau

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The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg. Director of the Hongkong Observatory :-

On the 24th at 11.55 a .- The barometer has risen over Japan, and fallen over China, particularly in the North.

A depression which will probably move Eastwards has appeared over N. China, and the highest pressure is now over S.W. Japan. Gradier ti have decreased over S. China and

the China Sea, and light monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and fresh to inoderate mor soon over the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a m. to-day, 0,00 inch. FORECAST.

1 .- Hongkong and neighbourhood, N.E. to N. winds, moderate; cloudy, some light rain. 2,-Formosa Chanuel, N.E. winds, moderate n or light.

3 .- South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, same as No. 1. 4.-South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

Arrivals.

Dagny, Nor. s.s., 883, O. Abrahamsen, 22nd Dec. - Haiphong . 18th Dec. Rice .-Auguard, Thoresen & Co. Signal, Ger. s.s., 657, G. Schlaikier, 23rd Dec.,

-Hollow 2 at Dec., Rice. - J. & Co. Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 742, 4, Cornelinsen, 23rd Dec.,-Haiphong 19th Dec., and Holhow 21nd, Gen .- A. R. M.

Hongkong Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,447, E. Ben', 24th 24th Dec.,-San Francisco 26th Nov. Honolulu 3rd Dec., Yokohama 16th, Kobe 17th, Nagasaki 19th, and Shanghai 21st; Mails and Gen.-T. K. K. Sachsen, Ger. s.s., 5,014, C. Woltemas, 24th

Gen.-M. & Co. -Zafiro, Br. 618., 1,029, A. Fraser, 24th Dec.,-

Manila 21st Dec., Hemp and Sugar. - S. Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,128, Rolfe, 24th Dec.,-Manila 21st Dec, Gen .-- J., M. & Co.

/pwata-Maru,-Jap.-s.s.,-2,370,-K.-Homma, 24th and Gen .- Y. K. Devawongse, Geri B.s., 1,013, T. V. Bruhn, 24th Dec. - Bangkok and Swatow 12th

Dec. Rice, Salt and A ood.-B. & S. Hupeh, Br. s.s., 1,205, H. Mathias, 24th Dec., -Haiphong and Holhow 22nd Dec, Rice and Gen,-B. & S.

Nicomedia, Ger., s.s., 4,364, P. Wagemann 24th Dec,-Portland, Or. 9th Nov., and Moji 19th Dec, Gen. -P. & A. S. S. Co. Aldenhum, Br. s.s., 4,038, St. John George, 24th Dec.,-Kobe 14th Dec., Gen.-G., L.

Clearances at the Harbour. .

Hongkong Maru, for Manila. Chikli, for Holhow. Paklat, for Swatow. Kwongsang, for Ningpo. Taishun, for Shanghai. Machew, for Swatow. *Mongolia*, for Shaoghai. Amigo, for naiphone. Iyo Maru, for Shanghai *Vorwarts*, for Pakhoi. Helene, for Tourane. Sachsen, for Singapore. ... Taming, for Manila. Kanagawa Maru, tor Singapore. Riojun Maru for Singapore. Li nechow, for Ningpo. Secovia, for Singapore.

Dec. 23. Hein Ming, for Canton.

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Changing, for Canton. Sunda, for Yokohama, Taming, for Manila. - Yunnan, for Hengay. Pakhol; for Bangkov. Ivo Maru, for Scattle.

Chihli, for Hoihow. Kwongsang, for Shanghai,

Passengers arrived. Per Zafiro, from Manila-Mr. and Mrs. Cory, Messrs. Andinose, Beck, George, Luchs, Mr. and Miss Carr, Messrs. Kenich, Blancos, Enshaw, Chandler, and 18 Chinese.

Per Sacksen, from Yokohama for Hangkong -Sub-Lieut, Bindscil. For Genoa-Mr. W. Koock, From Shanghai for Hongking-Mrs. A. Popplewell, Messrs. H. Figge, J. Bandow. L. Wolf, Mrs. Baer, Messrs. Muhlmann, Julins Jeters, L. Schmidt, Miss G. Harms, and Mr. M. M. Böhlken. For Colomby-Mr. O Jenssen. For Genos-Mr. H. Roldiger, Dr. Tale! For Southampton - Miss C. Grin es. For Inc & Diederichsen. Bremen- r. H. Lotheisen.

Per Hongkong Maru, from San Francisco, Germania &c. for Hongkong-Mr. H. E. Campbell, Woolwich 118 Master Houry D. Hawkhurst, Mr. and Mrs. H. Engineer son, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Pereira and native H.M.S. Janus Beryant, Mr. F. S. Clacke, Mrs. E. T. Niebling, Katherine Park

Miss R. Niebling, Mrs. L. C. Riggs, Mrs. Frank Lochr, Mics A. M. Freemar, Mrs Williams, Mr. H. R Spencer, Mrs. C. W. Frankee and native servant, Capt. W. Ehrhardt, 1:8 Chinese. and 6 Japanese For Manila-Mrs W. H Avery, Mr. J. N. Bla-co, Mrs. G. O. Blai dell Misses Helen Blaisdell, Grace Blaisdell, Master Everett Binisdell, Mrs. Katherine Case, Mossrs. Wm. D. Clifford, Clarence W. Cowah, H. H. Ewing, Miss Helen Guerio, Messrs. C. Podes n. C. E. Joh mon, Mrs. R. W. Jones, Mr. Joseph Luke, Miss Iris Monroe, Mr. Otto

Ranft, Mas. O. H. Sampson, Mosses, Chas. A H. Schoendube, Gen. R. Schilling, Lester L "myth, Dr. Chas. Edison, Swezy, Mrs. E. Anthony, Messrs. C. A. Graham, J. D. Chase, General and Mrs. J. J. Pershing, infint and 3

Per Hongkong, from Huiphong, &c.-Mr.

Per Aldenham, from Japan for Hongkong - Mrs Stanley Smith For Sydney-Mr. Jas Vilson, Rev. P. Faf, Meisrs. D. Fay, L. P. and Miss Coates.

Per Yawata Maru, from Japan for Hongkong-Mrs. E. B. Catron, Mrs. F. S. Slayton, Measrs. Mork Kwan, Yu Yot han, Chiu Le Lan, t European, 11 Japanese, and 16 Chinese. For Manila-Prof. and Mrs. O. Scheerer, and Japanese. For Brisbane-Mr. A. H. Aufridge. For Melbourne-Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Laferme, Miss N. Plant, and I Australian.

Shipping Reports.

Str. Sungkiang, from Amoy:-Strong N.N.E. Str. Hongkong, from Haiphong, &c .: - Strong

N.E. monsoon. Str. Zafire, from Manila :- Moderate gale, high sea, rainy, overcast throughout.

S.r. Denawonym, from Bangkok:-From Padaran, heavy monsoon, heavy sea. Overcast.

Str. Katherine Park, from Callao :- Ueavy weather crosing from Japan wind from West to North accompanied by very high confused sea. Strong monsoon on China Coast.

Str. Nicomedia from Portland, .. Or.: -Encountered a heavy gale on 21it inst, ship's position between Yangtse Klang, Japan and Formosa Channel.

Str. Aldenham, from Japan :-- Very violent weather from the West to Northin a succession of gales accompanied by-high and confused seas. Strong N.E. monsoon on China Coast.

VESSELS IN PORT

STRANGER.

Alesin, Ger, 8.5, 5,183, J. Ernst, 23rd Dec ,-Portland, Or. and Moji 18th Dec., Flour .-P. & A. S. S. Co. Childar, Nor. s.s., 1,102, A. Augensen, 22nd

Dec. - Bangkok 11th Dec, and Swatow 21st, Gen.-N. Y. K. Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,562, J. Jenkins, 20th Dec., -Saigon 15th Dec., Gen.-Man Fat & Co. D. S. Ottbenope, Ger. s.s., 2,769, H. Pelersen, 20th Dec .- Amoy 18th Dec., Gen .- C. &

Empressiof India, Br. s.s., 3,032, E. Beetham, R.N.R., 16th Dec., -Vancouver, (B.C.) 26th Nov., and Shanghai 13th Dec., Mails and Gen.-C. P. R. Co.

Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, H. S. Malkin, 19th Dec. - Canton 18th Dec. Ge .- J. M. & Frithjof, Nor. s.s., 891, O. Andersen, 14th

Dec.,-Haiphong 12th Dec., Rice.-Aagaard, Thoresen & Co. Fukushu Maru, Jap. 3.8., 1,095, T. Ito, 22nd Dec.,-Anping 19th Dec., Gen.-O. S. K. . Dec. Yokohama 14th Dec., Mails and Ganges, Br. s.s., 2,721, S. A. Page, 21nd Dec., -Barry Dock 31st Oct., Coal.-Admiralty.

Glenesk, Br. s.s., 2,274, J. Rafferey, 30th Nov., -Salina Cruz 16th Nov., Ballast .- C. M. Hakodate ... Haiching, Br. s.s., 1,267, A. E. Hodgins, 22nd | Kuchi Dec,-Foochow 19th Dec, Amoy 20th, Nagasaki

and Swatow 21st, Gen,-D., L. & Co. Dec.,-Japan 20th Dec. Onion; Potatoes Helene, Ger. s.s., 771, J. Jessen, 23rd Dec.,-Swatow aznd Dec., Gen .- J. & Co. Holstein, Ger. s.s., 985, A. Niejohr, sith Dec., -Swatow toth Drc., Gen .- J. & Co.

Jacob Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 623, Hensen, 22nd Dec - Pakhoi 17th Dec., and Hoihow 20th, Gen.-J. & Co. Kanagawa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,815, N. Ohno,

23rd Dec -Yokohama via l'orts 11th Dec., Gen.-N. Y. K. Kohsichang, Ger. s.s., 1,09 . C. Rosiefsky, 12th Dec. Bangkok and Tourane 7th Dec., Rice and Gen.-B. & S.

Lightning, Br. s.s., 2,122, E. Fey, 21st Dec.,-Calcutta 19th Nov., via Penang and Singapore 14th Dec. Gen.-D. S. & Co., Ld. Machew, Ger. s.s., 995, R. G. Zöllner, 20th Dec,-Bangkok via Holhow 5th Dec. Rice.-M. & Co.

Manila, Ger. s.s., 1,108, J. Minssen, 14th Dec., Melbourne and Sydney 19th Nov., Gen .-M. & Co. Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,6447.R: Houghton, 12th

Dec. Sandakan th Dec., Timber and Gen.-J., M: & Co. Mercedes, Br. s.s., 3, 00, J. S. McGregor, 21st Sept,-Weihaiwei ioth Sept. Ballast.-Admiralty.

Nikko Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,434, T. L. Harrison, 23rd Dec .- Manila 21st Dec., Gen .- N. Phranang, Ger. s.s., 1,021, F. Bücking, 10th Dec. Bangkok 5th Dec. Rice. B. & S. Progress, Ger. s.s., 683, H. Struve, 19th Dec., -Sandakan 14th Dec., Coal.-S. & Co.

Proteus, Nor. a.s., 1,025, P. C. Kolderup, 20 h Dec.-Bangkok via Swatow 14th Dec. Gen.-N. Y. K. Pronto, Nor s.s., 838, T. Seeberg, 14th Dec., -Haiphong 11th Dec., Rice.-Wallem &

Stettin, Br. s.s., 1,396, J. E. Farrell, 20th Dec., -Singapore 11th Dec., Gen.-B. & S. Taishan, Br. s.s., 1,214, J. S. Laing, 17th Dec., -Baigon 9th Dec., Meal.-B. & Co. Tatsu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,950, U. Kancyasu, 21st Dec., - Taksu (Formosa) 19th Dec.,

Ballast,-Yes Hing Tai. Triumph, Ger. s.s., 679, J. Bendixen, 20th Dec,-Haiphong and Hoihow 19th Dec., Gen.-J. & Co.

Ulv. Nor. s.s., 885, J. Petersen, 17th Dec.,-Halphong, 14th Dec., Rice.-Asgaard Thoresen & Co. Woolwich, Br. s.s., 1,845, A. Stoker, 13th Nov., -Moji 8th Nov., Coal.-D. & Co, Ld.

SAILING VESSEL. Lawhill, Br. 4-masted bark, 1,050, -28th Aug.,-from New York, Case Oil.-S. O. Co.

DUCK RETURNS

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS, Phranang

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Arrivals at Home-3rd December-Sikh Gharet, Deucalion. 6th December-Manila, Root, 10th December-Hohenstaufen, Tamba Maru, Ich December-Belgravia, Ghazes, Liberta, Ernest Simons. 17th December-Idomeneus, Pak Ling. 20th December-Inaba

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December 24th, 1907, 8 m.

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS. Wedn sday and Thursday, the 25th and 26th December, 1907, and Wednesday and Thursday, the rat and and January, 19 8, are to be observed as Public Holidays. The Post Office will be open on each day.

from 8 to 9 a.m. only. There will be one delivery of letters and one collection as on Susdays. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

A Mail will close for :-Macao-Per Sul Tal, 25th Dec., 1,15 P.M. Shanghai-Per Shaoksing, 16th Dec., 9 A.M.

Swatow and Bangkok-Per Proteut, 26th. Dec., 9 A.M. Macao-Per Sul Tal, 25th Dec., 1.15 P.M. Swatow, Amoy and Foochow-Per Haitan, 27th Dec., 9 A.M.

Mauila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns,

Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth-Per Yawata Maru, 27th Dec., 11 A.M. Kuchinotza, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., Tacoms, Vancouver and Scattle, Wash .- Per Bellerophon, 27th Dec; 11 A.M. Macao ... I'et Sul Tal, 27th Dec., 1,15 P.M. Manila Per Vuentang, 27th Dec. 3 P.M. Randakan-Per Mausang, 27th Dec., 3 7.4. Kobe and Yokobama Per Borge Mare, 27th

Cohu and Hollo-Pet Sunghiang, 17th Dec., HONGKONG. A'irabam, E. S. Innes, Capt. R. Jessen, Mr. and Mrs. Manila-Per Zaffro 2 th Dec., to A.M. Adams, P. R. Karatsu, Kobe, Yokohams, Callao, and Atalion, A. and child Peru Iquique) -1'er Katherine Park, 28th Joseph, M. R. Audinet, J. Backus, Mr. and Mrs. Kurope &c. India. via Tuncor n-10 Battiscombe, H. G. Jelta, 28th Doc. 11 A.M. Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown | Heattle, R. R. Calrns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobert, Berblinger, A. Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Ade-B theck, R. J. laide. Perth and Fremantle-Per Aldenham. Hisney, Miss 38th Dec., 11 A.M. Bisney, Mr. & Mrs Macao-Per Sul Tal, 28th Dec., 1.15 P.M. Blunn, A. B. Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji-Per Boker, C. Bornand, E. Fooksang, 18th Dec., 2 P.M. Singapore, Penang and Calcutta - Per Brayfield, T. Lightning, 28th Dec., 2 P.M. Brooke, C. B. Moli, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or. Brooks, N. R. Per Nicomedia, 29th Dec., 9 A.M. Brown, F. G. Shanghai-Per Yochow, 30th Dec., 3 P.M. Bulmer It It. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. 1 Shanghai-Per Hangsang, 30th Dec., 3 P.M. Burnside, P. F. M. Singapore, Penang and Calcutta-Per Kaitsang, 31st Dec., 2 P.M. Blundell, L. C. Shanghai-Per Kinklang, 31st Dec. 3 P.M.

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Manila-Per Tean, 31st Dec. 3 P.M.

Cebu and Iloilo-Per Kaifong, 3rd Jan., Manila-Per Rubi, 4th Jan., 11 A.M. Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or.— Per Alesto, 7th Jan., 11 A.M. Singapore, Penang and Calcutta - Per Laisang, 7th Jan., 2 P.M.

> St. Peter's Seamen's Church. CHRISTMAS DAY.

Matins 11 am, Hymn; 'o, Responses: Festival, Venite : Crotch, Psalms : Cpecial, Te Deum Stanford in B Flat, Benedictus: Garrett in G., Athanssian Creed, Anthem: "Sing O Daugh ter of Zio ."-Gadsby, Hymn: 58, Kyrie; Ad lam in F., Offertory Hymn': 59. N.B - Hymn 60 (in unison) not played over.

Psalm 19 Verses 1, 2, 15 in unison. ii 45 n 7, 11, 18 , n Preacher! The Lord Bishop of Victoria. N. B .- Choir Practice Friday, December 27th.

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lford	cruiser, 181 class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain S. E. Erskine	Singapore
	river gunbost	710	. 6.	900	Lieut,-Commander E. G. W. Davidson:	Yangtan
A management	river gunboat	710	6	900	LieutCommander W. L. Bamber	Yaugise
	sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Commander B. L. Majendie	West River
	water tank and tug	390		100		Hongkong
	clonn ()	1,070"	6	1,400	Commander C. D. S. Raikes	West River
D	nipedo boat destroyer	306	6	5,700	LieutCommander A. L. Gresson	West River
MP	cruiser, 2nd class	4,360	to	7,000	Captain Roland Nugent	Shanghai
		275	6.	4,000	LieutCommander W. H. Darwall	West River
ndy ,	" sameda hast destroyer	175	6	4,000	- LieutCommander Dickens	West River
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Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld. (Preferred)] Do. do. (Deferred)	0.1002	£5	15	{ (60,000 } (270,000)	£3 694	5/- for 1906 @ ex 2/21=52.24 per share [nterim of Tis. 11 for account 1907	37 % \{3	Tis. 44 buyers	Lon
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited Do. (Preference) "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited.		1 1 1 2 1 4 1 1 1 1	ris. 50	{	177,370	Interim of the (Coupon No. 8, for m/c 1907	41 %	Tis, 50 sellers 42/- \$22 buyers	due P
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REFINERIES. China Sugar Refining Company, Limited		iroo	100	*450,000	19,218	-8 for year ending 31-12.06	8 2	Stoo buyers	·
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MINING.			,	£150,000}			71.7	Tls. 15.95 sales	e 1
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DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.	\$ 20,000	20	7:						
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	. [' '	525	525	164,124	\$10,335	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.00	121 2	(156 old buyers	
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Anglo French Land Investment Co., Ld	10,000	525	\$25 \$15	\$1,000	7 is. 1,388 510 908 14,178	\$1.80 for 1906	13 %	izof sellers \$14 i 100 buyers	
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	2.	\$50	\$64R,975 } \$36,075 } \$250,000	\$10,925 \$50,218	Interim of \$31 for half year ending 30.6.07.	74.%	195	
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	*** 1.c.'000	_	\$10°	\$208,386 } \$50,000 }	\$11,567 \$1,089		-71 % 7 %	\$10} \$35 sellers	
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West Point Building Company, Limited				5 Tis. 150,000]			5	Tls. 53 buyers	
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Lo Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyein Company, Limited	811	1 - 0	710. SO	Tis. 45,939	11s. 64,986 114,269	30 cents for year ending 31.7.07	5 %	\$10	
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Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	1:20	o Sio	12/6	£1,299 19,000	263 165 No	3 \$3 for 1905	l., ''' .	\$10 buyers \$10 buyers	
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,00	o Tis. 50.	\$10	l' none	Tis, 88	Final of Tis. 5 making Tis. to for 1905		Tis. 60 buyers	
Do. Do. special shares	100,00	0 \$10	210	\$115,000 \$ 50000	185	80 cents for 1906	82 %	\$92 sales \$17 bayers	3
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	400,00	1 -	510	11,000	\$10,80	Interim of 50 cents per share for a/c 1907	84 X	Sill Sil buyers	* 1 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5
Hail & Holtz, Limited	60,00		\$20 \$10	1	\$2,95	3 I per share for year ending 28.2.07	61 %	\$15 \$240	
Hougkong Ice Company, Limited	50,00	510	\$25 \$10	\$65,000	\$4,36 \$4,21	Y Final of Tis. 74 and bonus of Tis. 21 mak- }		\$25 Tis. 350 sa. ex d.	
Peak Transways Company (new)	25,00	× 210		7 Tis. 27,003		Sipe sh. or periodir might Oct to 30th Apr. '07	8 %	S5 buyers	
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,0				Di. P. 34.32	laterim of Tis. 31 for account 1907		Tis. 107 buyers Tis. 45 sellers	
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited in	171		Tis, 50	Tie 45 000	}	1 Tour a feet a and The tracfor touch	· · · · · ·	Tls. 60	
Shanghai-Sum ara Tobacco Company, Limited	30,0	00 Tis. 20	Tis, 20	Tis. 24,620	Tis. 7,8	Interim of Tis. 5 for a/c 1907	1	Tla. 112 buyers Tla. 335 buyers	
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	6,0	525	The state of		Dr. \$41 ₁ 9	None None	6 1 7	120 16 sellers	
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited Union Waterboat Company, Limited	2,0	XX 115, 10		Tis. 15,29!	113.2	Tis. 6) for year ending 304.07	*1*	Tis. 97 S.ol buyers	
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,0	510		\$35,000	Sig	60 So cents on 9,900 ord. shares and 219.80 on }	8 %	Sto bayers	1
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited.		000 11		\$25,000	35:1	S2 Interim of 30 cents for account 1907		S5 bayers	
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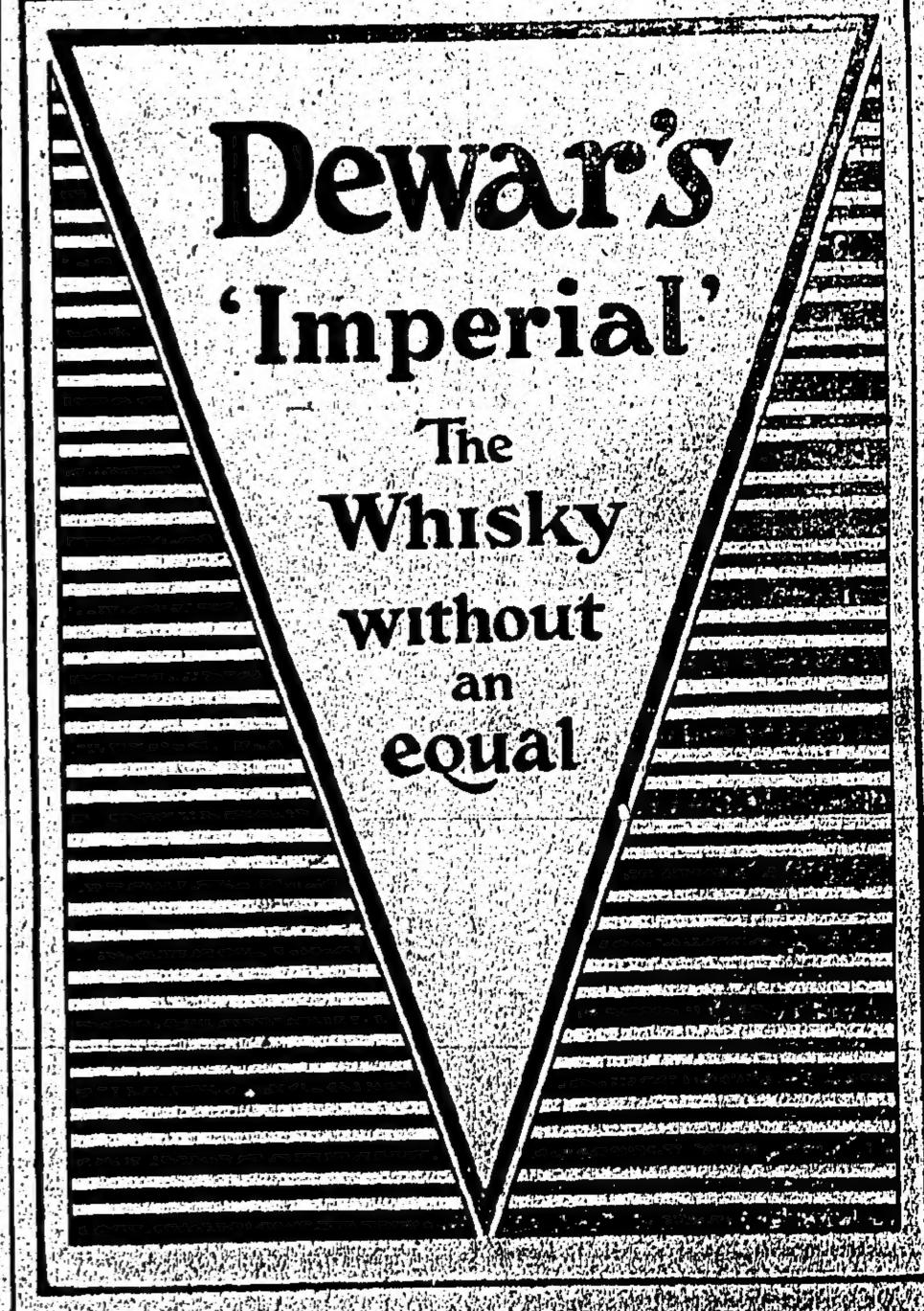
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